

REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

2008 was a busy year in the Tax office. The office is responsible for accepting and billing warrants for the following: property tax, jeopardy assessment, timber tax, land use and excavation tax. The office collected 94% of the 11,500 bills mailed for 2008.

The office also handles the process of setting the Tax Lien and Tax Deed process. The tax lien is recorded at the Belknap County Registry of Deeds when the liens are executed and redeemed.

We also handle inquiries from banks, mortgage companies, attorney offices and working closely with tax payers. Anyone who would like to make monthly payments please give us a call.

The tax year runs from April 1 to March 31. The first issue tax bill is only an estimated tax based on $\frac{1}{2}$ of the previous years tax bill and due July 1. The second issue bill is due around December 1, this bill is calculated by using the new tax rate which is set by the State of New Hampshire.

2008 marks my 20th year as serving as your tax collector. It has been my pleasure to serve the people of Alton as Tax Collector.

Marie Price, Deputy Tax Collector, completed the fourth year of a four-year certification course offered by the NHTCT/NHCTCA joint certification program. Workshops and annual conferences, sponsored by the NHTCA and Dept. of Revenue Admin., allow the Tax Collector to stay current with any changes in procedures and law.

Marie and I will be happy to answer any questions, please do not hesitate to call or come in to see us. Office hours are: Monday thru Friday 8:30 – 4:30.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Kroeger, Certified Tax Collector